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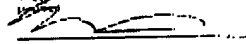
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For: FOOD PREPARATION AND STORAGE DEVICE

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Please amend the above captioned patent application as follows in response to the Final Office Action mailed February 25, 2002.

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1 (Twice Amended). An apparatus for rapidly changing the temperature of a mass of product, comprising:

at least two input heat transfer elements for extending into the mass of product, the input heat transfer elements being in parallel spaced planes and having a food grade coating;

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